Department of Veterans Affairs Health Administration Center Spina Bifida Healthcare

SPINA BIFIDA FACT SHEET 01-13

What Conditions Need Supporting Documentation

When is medical documentation required to show that the medical condition being treated is related to spina bifida?

Except for the conditions listed below, documentation is required to ensure payment of the claims.

- Arnold-Chiari malformation
- Blindness secondary to hydrocephalus and/or shunt infection
- Club foot
- Decubitus ulcers
- Hip dislocation
- Hydrocephalus
- Kidney disease
- Kyphosis
- Latex allergy
- Lordosis
- Neurogenic bladder
- Paraplegia
- Quadriplegia
- Scoliosis
- Seizure disorder secondary to hydrocephalus
- Shunt infection
- Shunt malfunction
- Solitary kidney
- Syringomyelia
- Tethered spinal cord
- Urinary tract infection

Remember – if your claim is for one of the above, you do NOT need documentation to show the relationship between the condition and spina bifida.

How do I get more information?

- Check our web site at www.va.gov/hac, select Spina Bifida
- Write us at P.O. Box 65025, Denver, CO 80206-9025
- E-mail us at hac.ing@med.va.gov
- Call 1-888-820-1756, Monday-Friday from 10:00 AM 1:30 PM and 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM Eastern Time